PAPER: CURRENT AFFAIRS (100 MARKS)

Candidates will be expected to display such general knowledge of history, politics and International Affairs, as deemed necessary to interpret current affairs.

I. Pakistan's Domestic Affairs (20 marks)

- Political
- Economic
- Social

II. Pakistan's External Affairs (40 marks)

- Pakistan's relations with its Neighbors (India, China, Afghanistan, Russia)
- Pakistan's relations with the Muslim World (Iran, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Turkey)
- Pakistan's relations with the United States
- Pakistan's relations with Regional and International Organizations (UN, SAARC, ECO, OIC, WTO, GCC)

III. Global Issues (40 marks)

- International Security
- International Political Economy
- Human Rights
- Environment: Global Warming, Kyoto Protocol, Copenhagen Accord
- Population: world population trends, world population policies
- Terrorism and Counter Terrorism
- Global Energy Politics
- Nuclear Proliferation and Nuclear Security
- Nuclear Politics in South Asia
- International Trade (Doha Development Round and Bali Package)
- Cooperation and Competition in Arabian Sea, Indian and Pacific Oceans.
- Millennium Development Goals, Current Status
- Globalization
- Middle East Crisis
- Kashmir Issue
- Palestine Issue

SUGGESTED READINGS

S.No.	Title	Author
1.	Pakistan Foreign Policy 1947-2005: A Concise History, 2011	Abdul Sattar
2.	Issue in Pakistan's Economy, 2010	Akbar S. Zaidi
3.	Pakistan: A Hard Country, 2012	Anatol Lieven
4.	Government & Politics in South Asia, 6th ed., 2009	Baxter, Malik, Kennedy & Oberst,
5.	Introduction to International Political Economy, 2010	David Balaam & Bradford Dillman
6.	International Organization (Second Edition) 2012	Volker Rittberger, Bernhard Zangl and Andress Kruck
7.	The Age of Deception: Nuclear Diplomacy in Treacherous Times (2011)	Mohamed Elbaradei
8.	International Relations, 2012	Joshua Goldstein
9.	World Politics: Trends & Transformation, 2014-2015	Kegley & Blanton
10.	Pakistan Beyond the Crisis, 2011	Maleeha Lodhi
11.	Globalization in Question, 2009	Paul Hirst
12.	International Political Economy: Interests & Institutions in the Global Economy, 2010	Thomas Oatley
13.	Politics and Change in the Middle East, 10th Ed., Pearson, 2012	Andersen, Seibert, and Wagner
14.	Eating Grass: The Making of the Pakistani Bomb, (2012)	Feroz Khan
15.	Pakistan and World Affairs	Shamshad Ahmad (Edition-2015)
16.	World Times Magazine	…